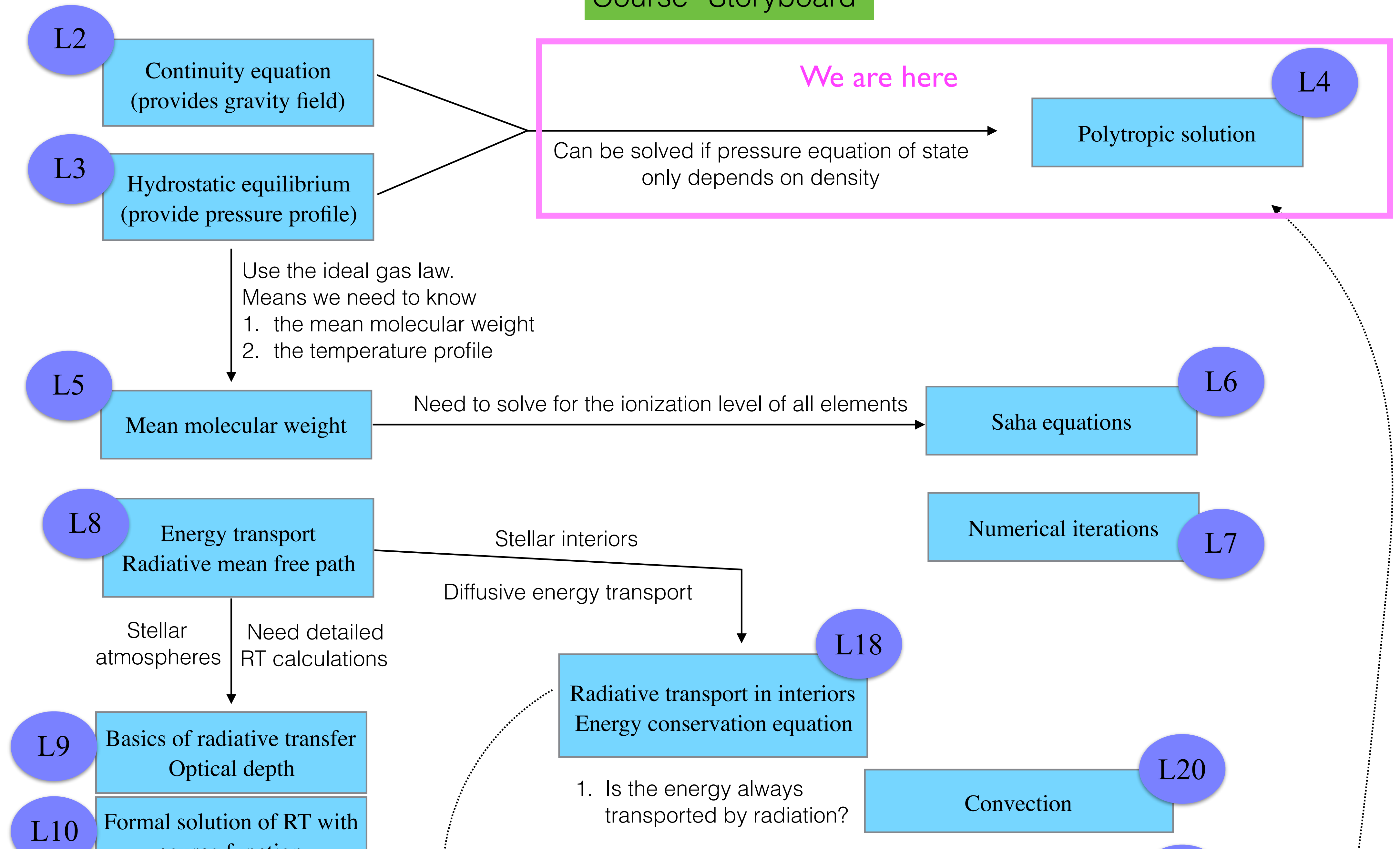


Week 2 Thursday

L-4

Polytropes

Course "Storyboard"



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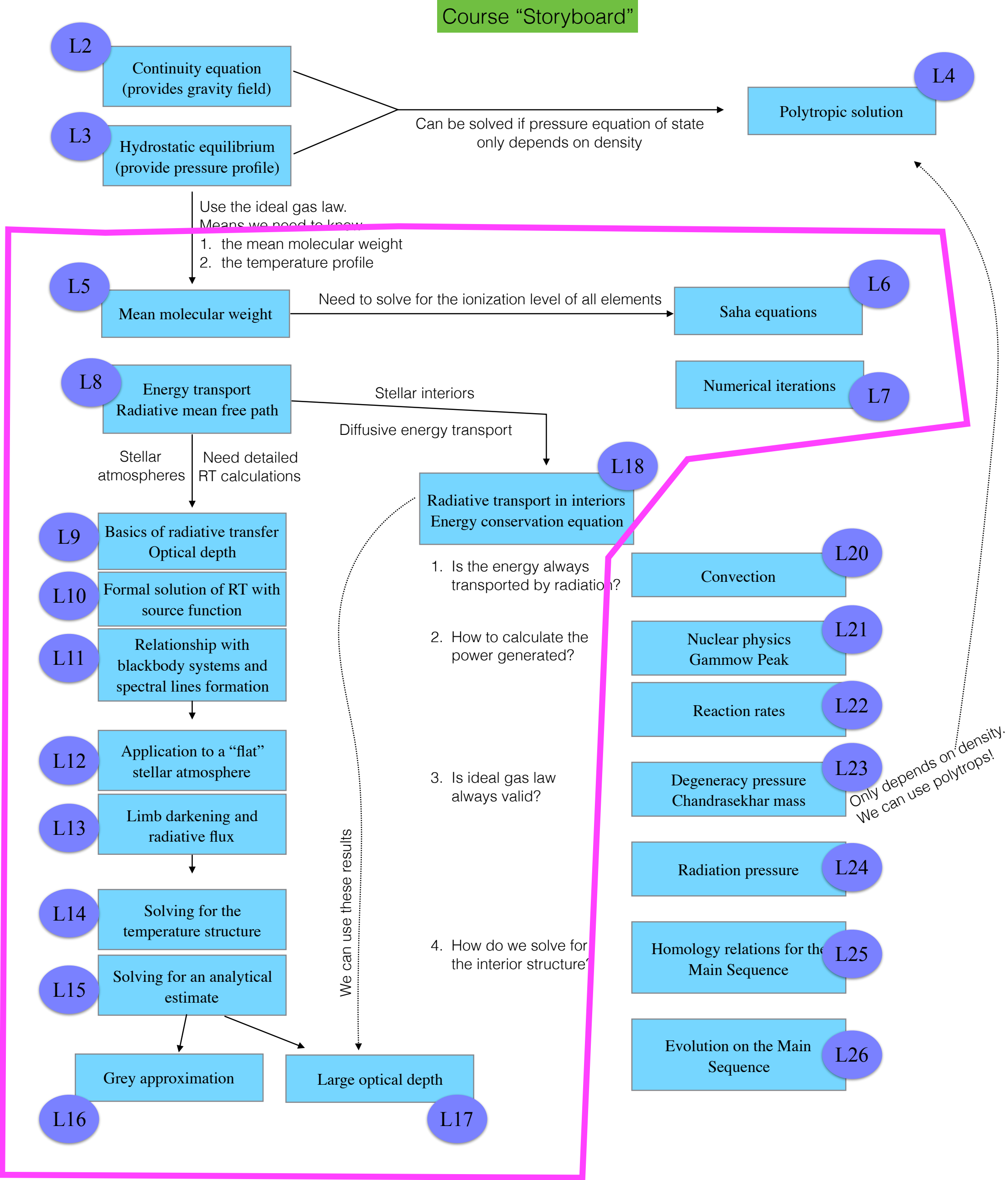
$$P(r = R) = 0$$

We need a relationship between $P(r)$ and $\rho(r)$ (An “equation of state”)

$$P = nkT \quad ?$$

If we consider ideal gas, OK... But we don't know T (yet).
And to relate n to ρ , we need to know the composition...

All of this is basically to get $T(r)$... yikes!



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But if P is only dependent on ρ , we could in principle solve the problem!

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Put all the r s on one side:

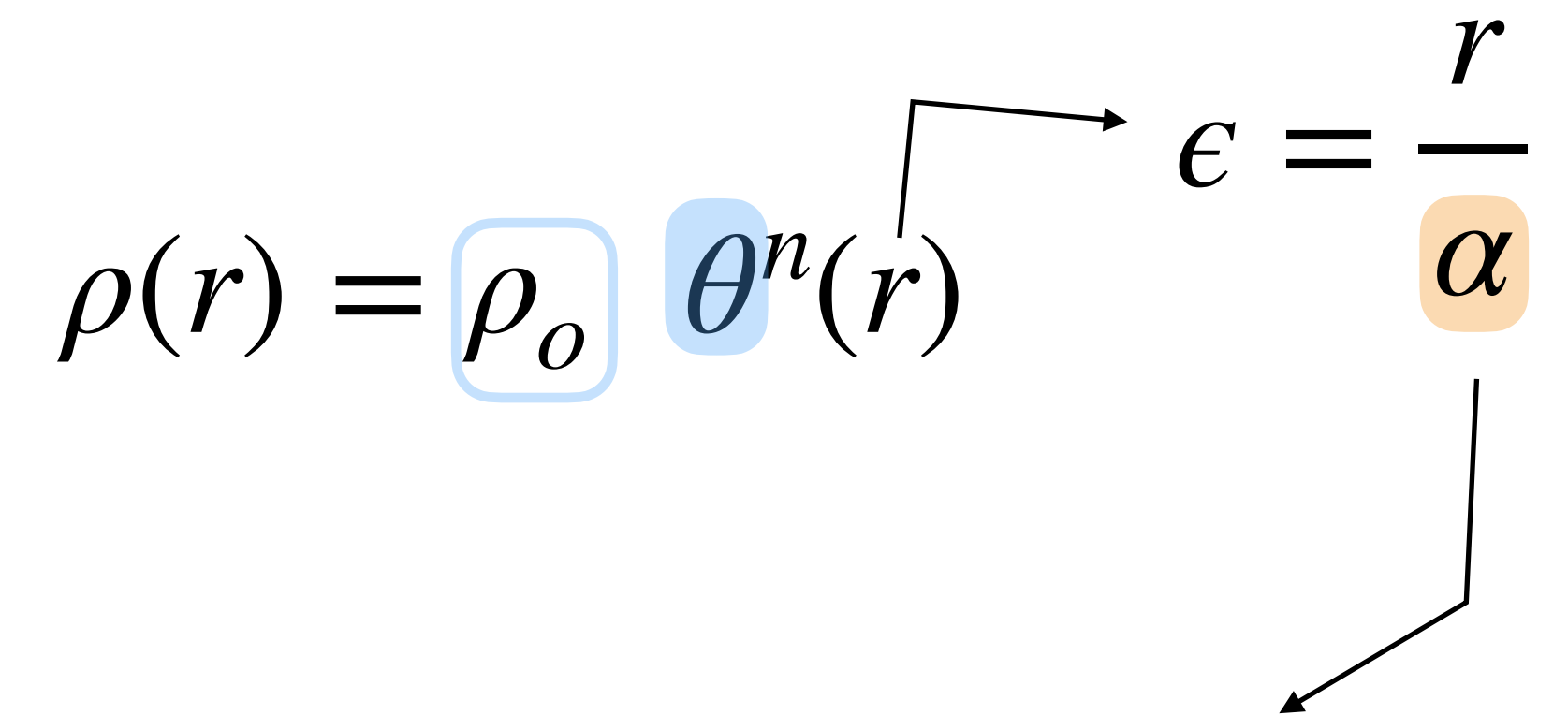
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1. We would like to solve for $\rho(r)$.
2. But, we like things to be unit-less
(can you think why?)

$$\rho(r) = \rho_o \theta^n(r) \quad \epsilon = \frac{r}{\alpha}$$


Polytropic equation of state

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A scale factor (undefined yet, but see later), that will scale the radial coordinate to be unit-less
(Why not use R_\star here?)

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1. We will solve for $\theta(\epsilon)$.

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(But to go back to $\rho(r)$, we will need to also get the value of ρ_o in the process....)

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$$P(r=0) = P_o = K \rho_o^{\frac{n+1}{n}}$$

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This whole thing has
units of length^2 !



α^2

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4. Make a change of variable
 $r = \alpha\epsilon, dr = \alpha d\epsilon$

The “Lane-Emden” equation

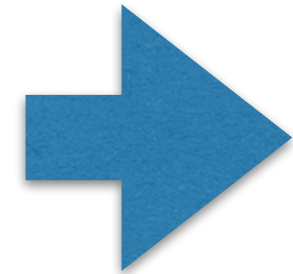
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$$\epsilon = \frac{r}{\alpha}$$

Second order
differential equation



Need boundary conditions

At the center:

$$\epsilon = 0 \quad (\text{why?})$$

$$\theta(\epsilon = 0) = 1 \quad (\text{why?})$$

$$\left. \frac{d\theta}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} \quad (\text{why?})$$

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Second order
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There is an analytical
solution for only 3
values of “n”

(For other values, need
to use a numerical
method)

$$n = 0$$

$$\theta(\epsilon) = 1 - \frac{\epsilon^2}{6}$$

$$n = 1$$

$$\theta(\epsilon) = \frac{\sin \epsilon}{\epsilon}$$

$$n = 5$$

$$\theta(\epsilon) = \frac{1.0}{(1.0 + \epsilon^2/3)^{1/2}}$$

In notebook: let's graph these solutions

- * How to define functions
- * How to make a 'loop'

=> From now on, you are responsible for your axis labels

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ax.set_xlabel('your label')  
ax.set_ylabel('your label')
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For math symbols:

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ax.set_xlabel(r'$\alpha$ and $\beta$')
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Now that we have $\theta(\epsilon)$ (for a given n),
how do we go back to $\rho(r)$?

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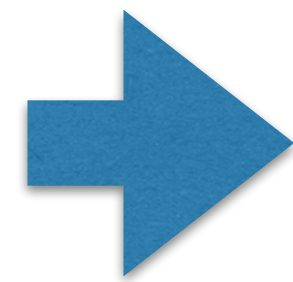
$$\epsilon = \frac{r}{\alpha}$$

Where is the ‘surface’? ϵ_1

$$\theta(\epsilon = \epsilon_1) = 0$$

In real units:

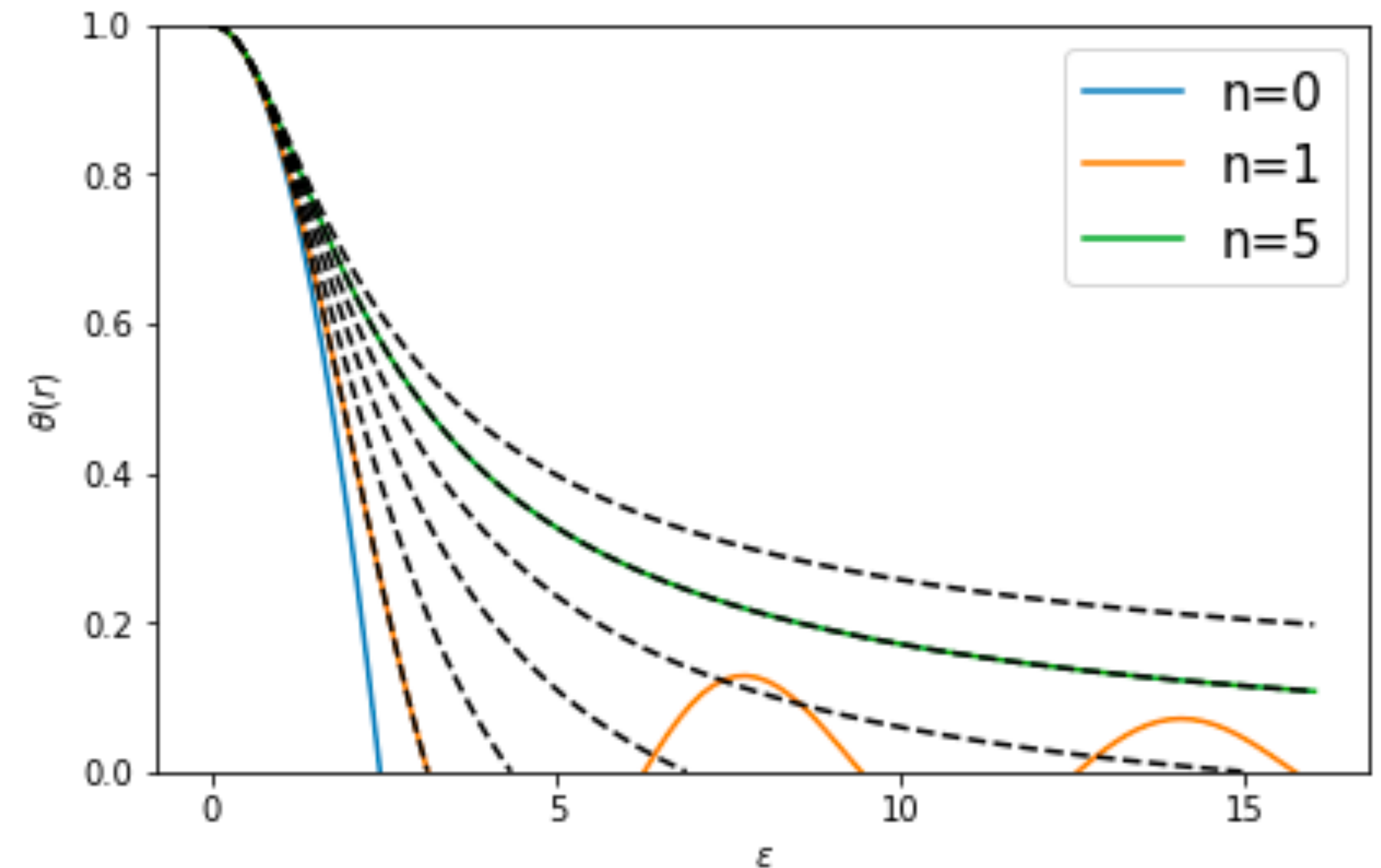
$$R_{\star} = \alpha \epsilon_1$$



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In notebook:

* let's graph these solutions transferred to $\rho(r)/\rho_o$ versus r/R_{\star} and compare with the sun!



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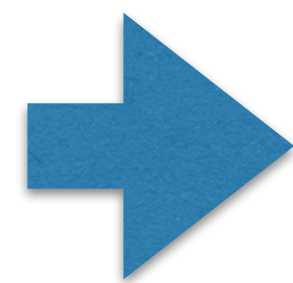
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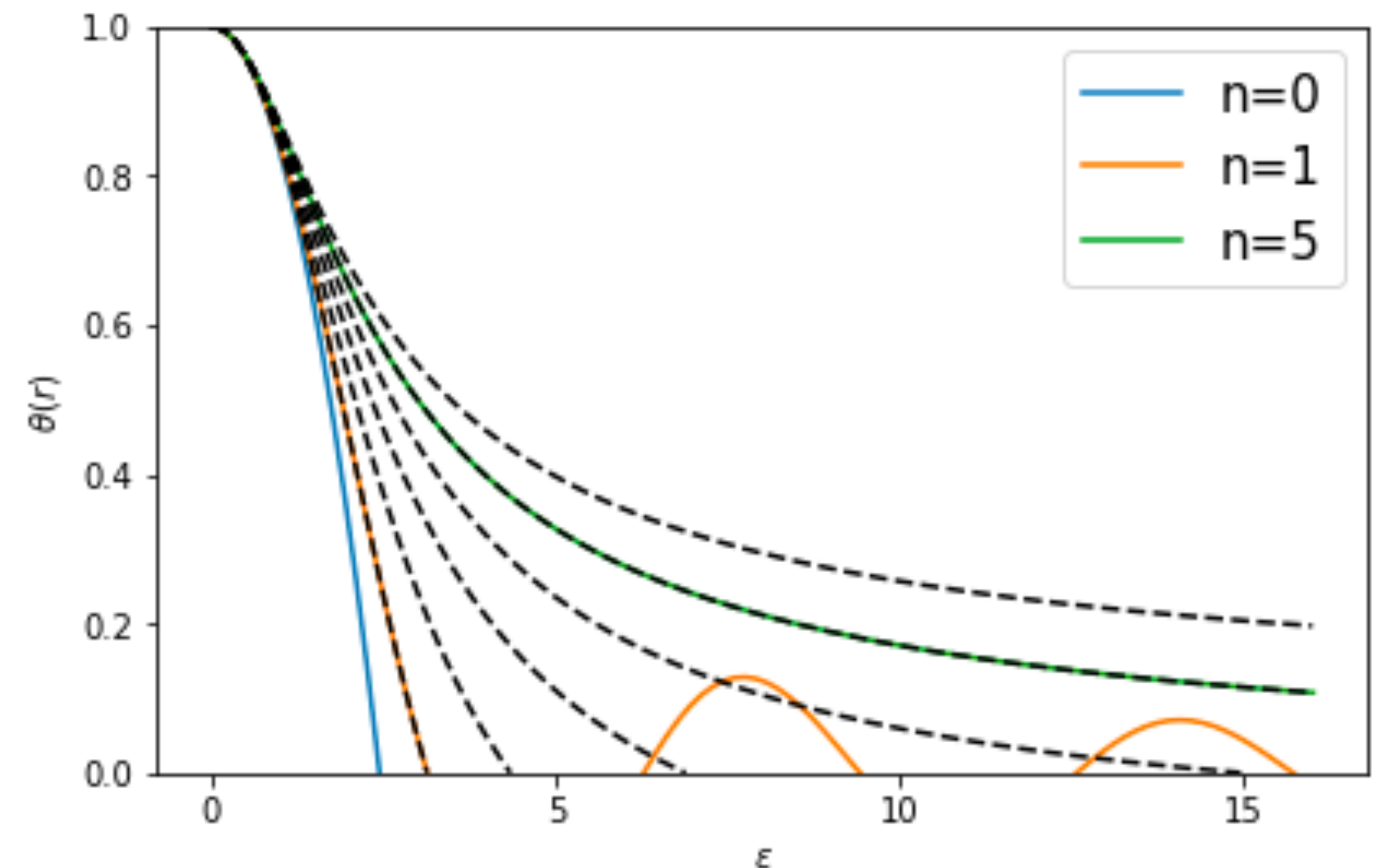
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or

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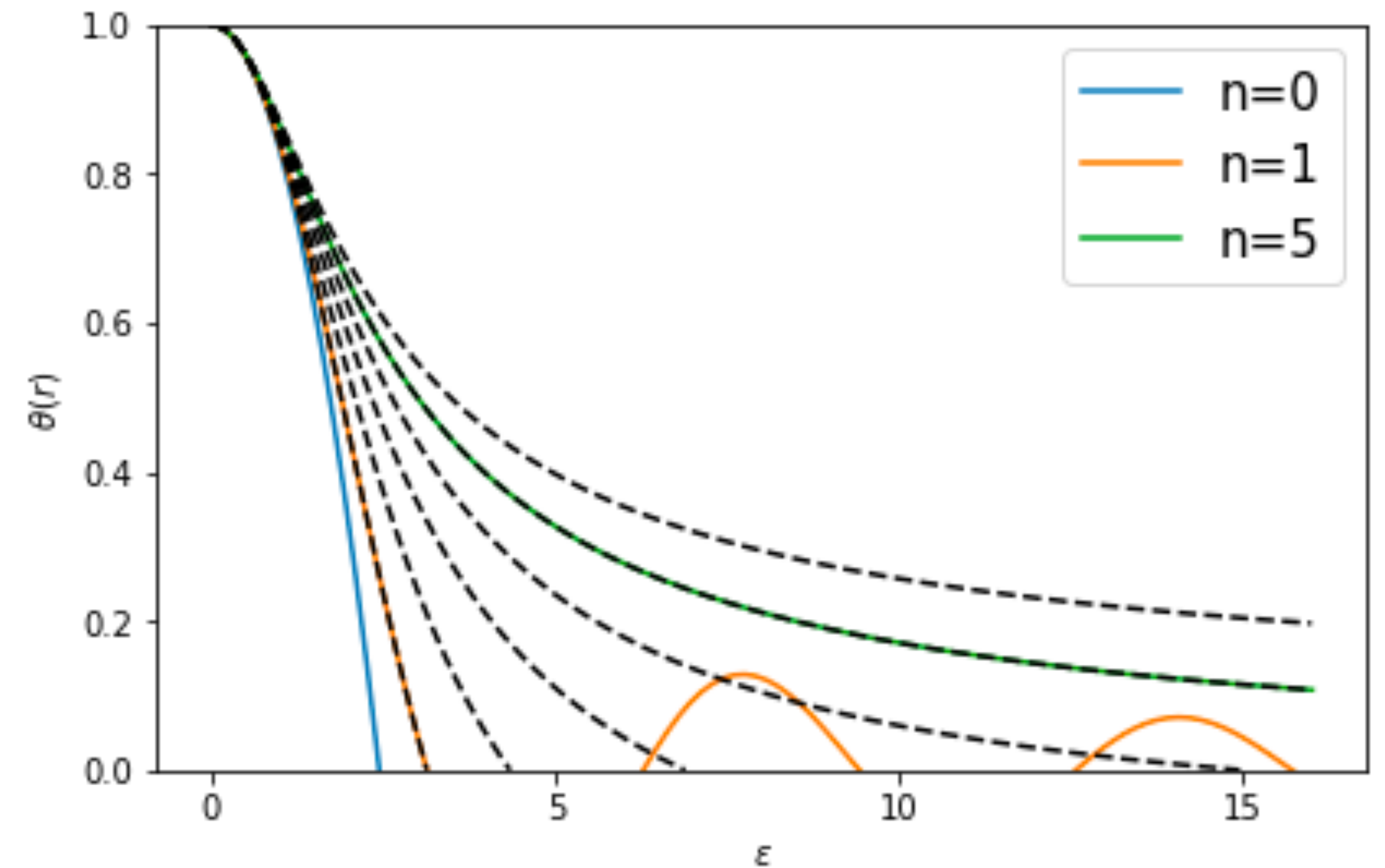
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3

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Let's go back to the continuity equation for a moment

$$M_{\star} = M_r(r = R_{\star}) = 4\pi \int_0^{R_{\star}} r^2 \rho(r) dr$$

$$r = \alpha \epsilon \quad dr = \alpha d\epsilon \quad R_{\star} = \alpha \epsilon_1 \quad \rho(r) = \rho_o \quad \theta^n(r)$$

$$M_{\star} = 4\pi \alpha^3 \rho_o \int_0^{\epsilon_1} \epsilon^2 \theta^n(\epsilon) d\epsilon$$

yah! Unit-less integral!

And if we have a numerical vector for $\theta(\epsilon)$,
we can numerically get that number

But, in textbooks they go a bit further analytically

$$M_{\star} = 4\pi\alpha^3\rho_c \int_0^{\epsilon_1} \epsilon^2 \theta(\epsilon)^n d\epsilon$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \left(\epsilon^2 \frac{d\theta(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right) = -\theta^n(\epsilon)$$

1. Put the whole Lane-Emden equation back in there

$$M_{\star} = 4\pi\alpha^3\rho_c \int_0^{\epsilon_1} \cancel{\epsilon^2} \frac{-1}{\cancel{\epsilon^2}} \frac{d}{\cancel{d\epsilon}} \left(\epsilon^2 \frac{d\theta(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right) \cancel{d\epsilon}$$

2. Cancel out a bunch of terms

$$M_{\star} = -4\pi\alpha^3\rho_c \int_0^{\epsilon_1} d \left(\epsilon^2 \frac{d\theta(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right)$$

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3. Integrate this puppy

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1. Evaluate the term in bracket at the bounds

$$M_{\star} = -4\pi\alpha^3\rho_c \left[\epsilon_1^2 \frac{d\theta(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon_1} - 0^2 \frac{d\theta(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \right]$$

Zero from boundary condition

$$M_{\star} = -\frac{1}{(4\pi)^{1/2}} \left(\frac{n+1}{G} \right)^{3/2} \frac{P_c^{3/2}}{\rho_c^2} \epsilon_1^2 \theta'(\epsilon_1)$$

2. Replace α with its definition

Slope of $\theta(\epsilon)$ at ϵ_1

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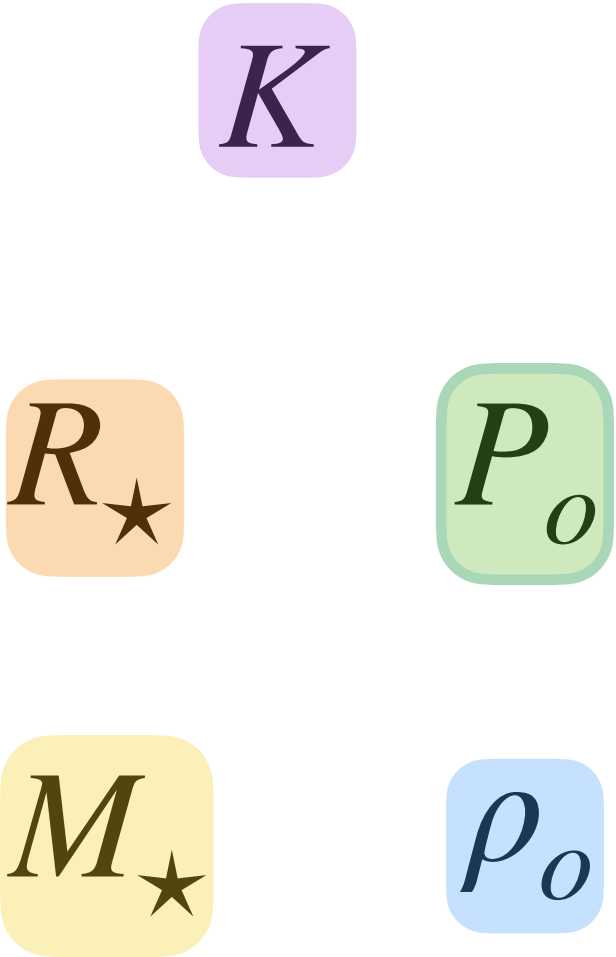
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5 quantities, 3 equations
 If we specify 2 quantities, the other 3 are constrained

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R_{\star} P_o

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For example:

Degenerate matter (white dwarfs and neutron stars)
equation of state IS a polytrop!
(K and n are known)

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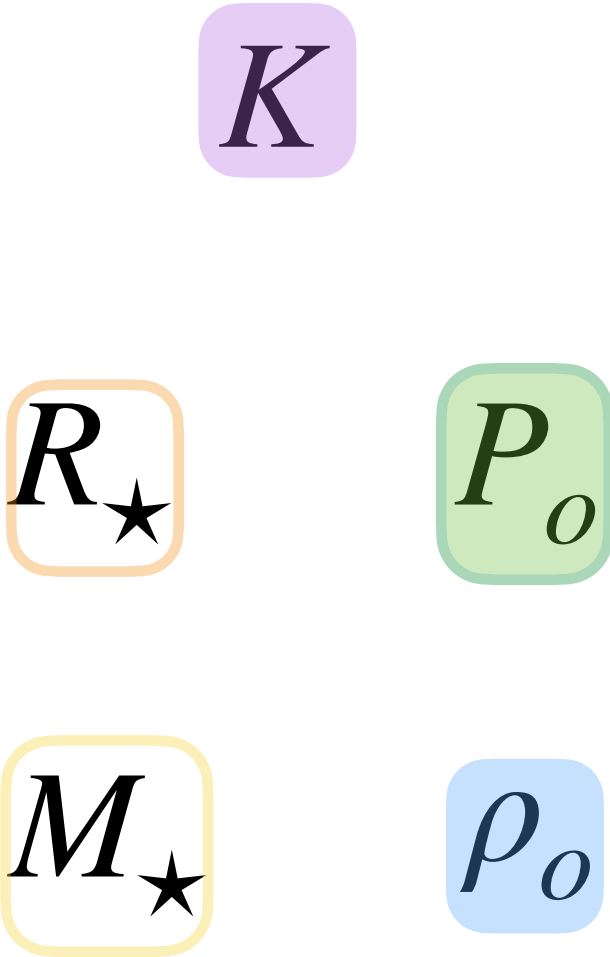
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Notebook: K

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$$\text{If } = 1R_\odot \leftarrow R_\star \quad P_o$$

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